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Dear Prof. Kipanyula

Subject: National stakeholders' consultation meeting on re-orientation of the Emerging Pandemic Threat phase 2 Work Plan to GHSA priorities to be held on the 10th March 2017, Dar es Salaam

The Food and Agriculture Organization of the UN (FAO) in collaboration with the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries (MALF) have been implementing the FAO's component of the USAID-funded Emerging Pandemic Threat phase 2 (EPT2) Programme in Tanzania since March 2016. To realize its objectives, EPT-2 Programme has been delivering a range of interventions to strengthen the early detection and rapid response capacity of national health systems to emerging and re-emerging pathogens with a potential to pandemics.

Following extensive consultation process between FAO and the USAID, it has been agreed to re-orient the focus of EPT-2 with the view to address priority endemic zoonotic diseases and advance the Global Health Security Agenda in line with the findings of the Joint External Evaluation (JEE) report.

To this effect, FAO is organizing a 1-day Stakeholders Consultation meeting involving key national One Health partners on 10th March 2017. The objectives of the meeting are: i) to enrich FAO's draft work plan and its contribution to the advancement of the country's GHSA indicators, ii) to ensure coherence and synergy with partners that play role in the advancement of the GHSA.

Therefore, I'm pleased to invite the following staff members of your Ministry to the 1-day stakeholders consultation meeting to be held in Dar es Salaam on the 10 March 2017 from 8:00 am – 5:00 i) Prof. Rudovick Kazwala, ii) Prof. R. Mdegela, and iii) Prof Ezro Karimlibo. The venue of the meeting will be communicated in the near future.

FAO will meet all costs related to participation in this consultative meeting.

Please also find enclosed provisional agenda for the meeting.

With kind regards,


for Fred Kafeero
FAO Representative

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